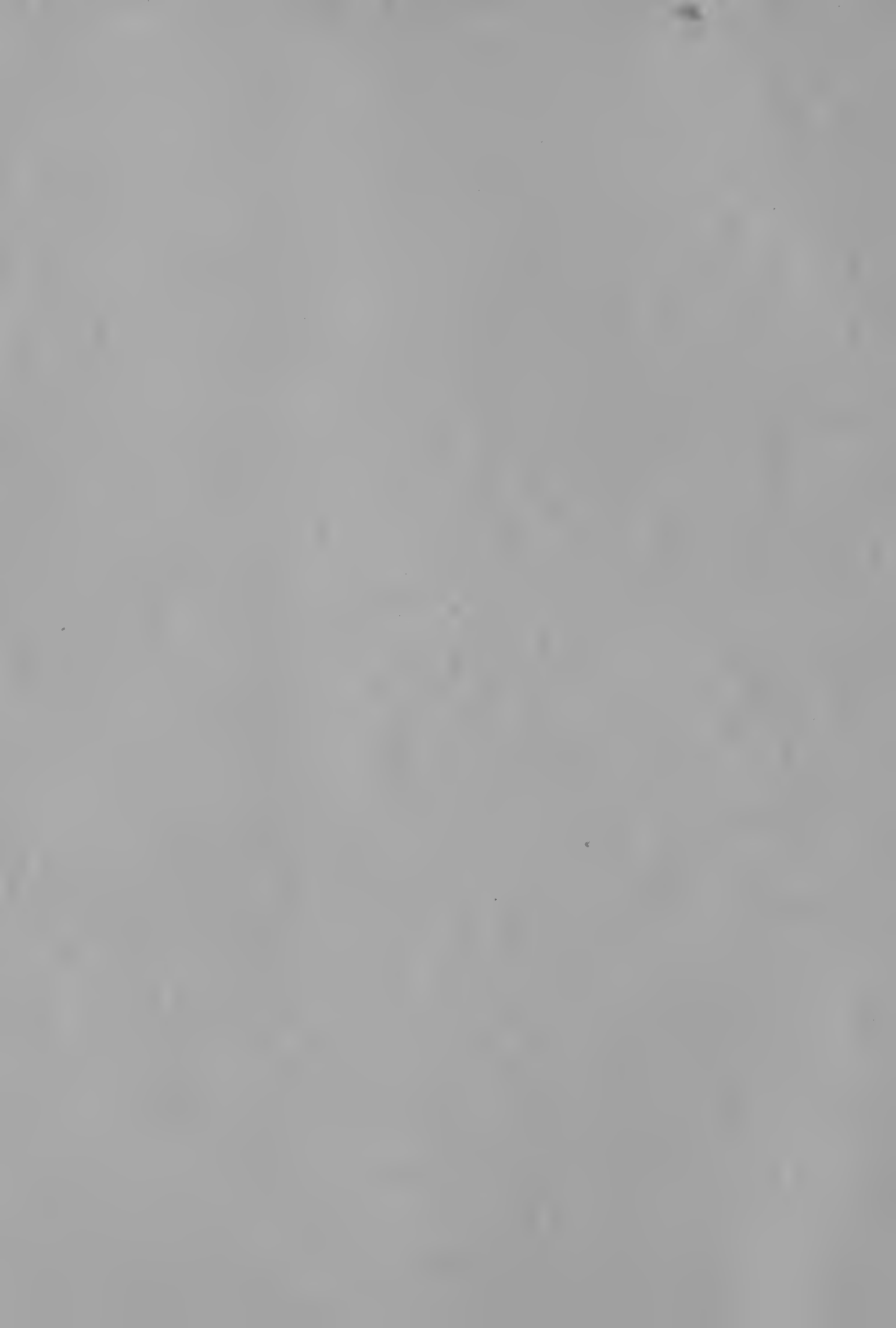


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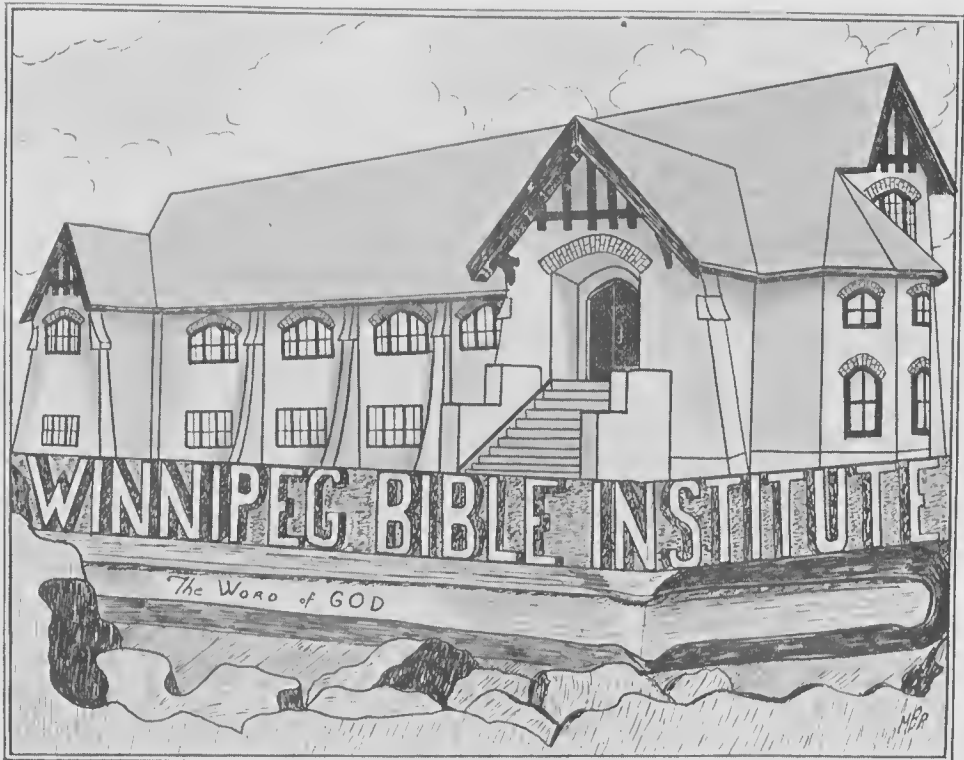
# *The King's Herald*

— 1944 —

YEAR BOOK

OF THE

WINNIPEG BIBLE INSTITUTE



*If the Foundation be destroyed, what can the righteous do?*

PSALM 11:3

So many professing Christians are carried about with every wind of doctrine; easily deceived and misled because they do not know the scriptures. "Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure," and His will for us is that we be "grounded and settled in the faith and not moved away from the hope of the gospel." (COL 1:23)

Thank God, Canada is still a land of religious liberty and of an open book. We, the students of the Winnipeg Bible Institute, invite you to come and study that Book with us, "for other foundation can no man lay than that that is laid, which is Jesus Christ." (1 COR. 3:11)

# The Supremacy of the Scriptures

*"Thou hast magnified Thy word above all Thy name."* PSALM 138:2

Whatever the Scriptures may be in the estimation of men in general, and this estimation greatly varies, to the rightly instructed Christian they can be no less than the very "oracles of God." Our Master so regarded them, the apostles so spoke of them, and the Church in all ages has so believed. For a time God's precious Word was largely lost sight of amid the darkness and superstition of the Middle Ages, but in the mighty Reformation of the sixteenth century it was recovered to the Church. Today we enjoy the blessings of that holy light, vouchsafed to us by those who lived and suffered and died that it might be preserved for future generations. It is now our sacred duty to hold aloft that Blessed Book so that men of our generation may behold the light that shines from its pages, and thus be guided into the path that leads from earth to heaven.

The supremacy of Holy Scripture may properly be regarded as the fundamental article of the Christian faith; this because it is the very basis on which the faith rests. It is the inspired Text-Book on all its doctrine. Unhappy are those who slip away from this rock-foundation, for all else is shifting, sinking sand. There can be no certainty on matters of faith and duty when one loses confidence in that God-breathed Book. Nothing is left for the soul but the vague and uncertain opinions of men. On the other hand, what blessed rest of heart and mind comes to those who repose their trust in what God has said through holy men of old who "spoke as they were moved by the Holy Ghost."

The supremacy of Holy Scripture is a truth that God Himself engages to maintain. Saith the Psalmist: "Thou hast magnified Thy word above all Thy name." The God of truth has spoken. He has spoken in the Scriptures. He will not allow any of His words to fall to the ground. He is a

"God that cannot lie." He magnifies His word. Jesus Christ came to earth for the very purpose of fulfilling what God had spoken. Referring to the Old Testament, He said, "And the Scripture cannot be broken." He also guaranteed the truth and divine authority of that which His apostles would write, when He promised "When He, the Spirit of truth, is come, He will guide you into all truth... He shall receive of mine, and shall show it unto you."



REV. R. WESLEY AFFLECK

The supremacy of Holy Scripture needs to be emphasized in our day with renewed vigour, especially because there are many, even in Christian circles, who no longer believe in the Bible as God's inerrant word. Time was when all infidels were outside the Church. Now some have found their way within, and too frequently occupy places of leadership and influence. This does far more to the hurt of that sacred cause than all the attacks launched from outside have ever been able to do. The Bible, the very citadel of our faith, is being stormed by the enemy. We must hold it at all costs. If it falls, all is lost. But it shall not fall, according to God's pledged word.

The Winnipeg Bible Institute exists to maintain and promote the supremacy and authority of the Sacred Scriptures. The teachings of the school are based upon and derived from that Holy book divine. The students and graduates go forth to live by that Book, to preach from it, and to win others to the acceptance of the Saviour it proclaims. For the class of this year, therefore, we can wish nothing higher than that they shall make the Bible the man of their counsel, the guide of their lives, the charter of their salvation, and the guarantee of everlasting bliss through the mercy of God and the redeeming blood of Jesus Christ.

# Greetings from the Faculty

Rev. R. Wesley Affleck

DEAN OF FACULTY

SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY      BIBLE EXPOSITION  
BIBLICAL INTRODUCTION  
SPIRITUAL LIFE      CHURCH HISTORY  
BIBLE EXEGESIS      COMPARATIVE RELIGIONS



To the Graduates of 1944:  
"Grace, mercy, and peace be multiplied unto you." It is a pleasure to enroll your names upon the ever-growing list of graduates of this institution, and we are looking to you to hold fast the traditions of the school as those who have preceded you have done. And now

as you go forth into a very needy world we pray that your lives may be wholly given into the hands of the Master for His glorious service.

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Mrs. K. M. Robins

PEDAGOGY      CHILD STUDY      ENGLISH  
SUNDAY SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION  
BIBLE STORY TELLING      BIBLE GEOGRAPHY



Dear Graduates:

As you pass through the doors of this school to enter upon a life of service for our Lord, I wish you one thing, that daily you may be "accepted of Him." Paul wrote "Wherefore we LABOUR that . . . we may be accepted of Him." 2 Cor. 5: 9. Not primarily ambitious to win souls, or

to establish churches or to have revivals, but to be "accepted of Him"—may this be your master ambition.

Miss Muriel Taylor

BIBLE ANALYSIS

You are leaving our family circle, dear graduates, and it may be that our paths will not lie in the same direction henceforth. Cherish the friendships you have made in W. B. I. with teachers and students. These human relationships with Christians are precious and profitable. At the end of his great theological treatise, the Book of Romans, Paul sends greetings to twenty-nine friends, and mentions eight others who join with him in the greetings. The epistle that was written to show Christ as the Pre-eminent One, Colossians, mentions lovingly nine friends. Since this was set down by the pen of inspiration we believe it shows that God would have us value friends in Christ. So as you go forth may you not forget old friends, while making new ones.



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Rev. K. M. Robins

DIRECTOR OF PRACTICAL WORK  
BIBLE SYNTHESIS      PERSONAL EVANGELISM  
METHODS OF CHRISTIAN WORK  
HOMILETICS      SERMON ANALYSIS

Greetings, Graduates—

My word of exhortation to you is that of the apostle Paul to the Corinthians: "We then . . . beseech you that ye receive not the grace of God in vain . . . giving no offence in *anything* that the ministry be not blamed, but in *all things* approving 'yourselves' as the ministers of God, in much patience, in affliction, in necessities, in distresses; by pureness, by knowledge, by longsuffering, by the Holy Ghost, by love unfeigned, by the Word of Truth, by the power of God. . . ." (2 Cor. 6: 1-7).



# Greetings to Graduates

Rev. J. B. Gunningham

COMPARATIVE RELIGIONS

BIBLE EXPOSITION



You who are members of the graduating class of 1944 are to be congratulated on the successful completion of your course of studies; but you are just beginning your service for Christ. There is much you must yet learn of the Master; may you be faithful students at all times. There is also

much to be done for Christ: may the Lord make you faithful servants. Make faithfulness your watchword, for "it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful."

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Lorne M. Gillett

EPHESIANS AND SPIRITUAL LIFE



"Because he believed in his God." (Daniel 6: 23.) That was the secret of Daniel's success in the work set before him; his deliverance from the hand of the enemy; and his victory in bringing about the world-wide acknowledgment of his God. So as you the graduates of this 1944 class go out from school in full-

time service for the King of Kings, remember that for you as well as for the faith heroes of the past, success, deliverance and victory come only through a definite faith and trust in God. (Ephesians 1: 13-15).

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MAINTENANCE

The school is definitely a faith institution. As such it is dependent on God as He moves the hearts of His people to minister to its support. A small fee is charged the students, but by far the greater part of the financial needs are met by voluntary contributions. In this way many have an interest in the spiritual education of the young people and in their preparation for Christian service.

Margaret Moody

DEAN OF WOMEN  
ENGLISH

BIBLE HISTORY  
EXPOSITION 1  
MISSIONS



"Keep thy heart with all diligence, for out of it are the issues of life." Prov. 4: 23. Yes, if you keep your heart right before God and allow nothing to grieve His Holy Spirit, then you will never be put to shame. If you guard jealously your "Fellowship with the Father, Satan will never overcome you through external circumstances. Wise old John Bunyan understood this well, for he wrote concerning the garrison of your heart and mine. "Herein lay the wisdom of Him that built Mansoul, that the walls could never be broken down nor hurt by the most mighty potentate unless the townsmen gave consent thereto."

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Olive Mikkelsen

OFFICE SECRETARY

SCHOOL CHORUS



"A vessel unto honour, sanctified, meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work." 2 Tim. 2: 21.

As you leave school may you be conscious that even as during Bible School days the hand of the Lord has been upon you, directing and fashioning you according to His will, He will continue to bless and use you in His great harvest field, and that "the path of the just is as a shining light that shineth more and more unto the perfect day." Remember, you trust in One who is mighty.

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Mr. Richard Friesen of West Kildonan, has given us much valuable help with our singing, and we as a student body would like to express our appreciation and gratitude to him in this way. We all enjoy singing so much under his skilful, happy leadership.

# Former Members of the Faculty

## A Message from David Barnes

R. G. A. F.

OUR FORMER INSTRUCTOR IN MUSIC

(The following extracts are taken from a letter Dave wrote to the school from Abbotsford, B.C., in January.)



"I have blessed memories of the very happy and profitable days spent at the institute, profitable for me, because I learned more in these two years spent with you than I was ever able to give. . . . Now it is ten months since I left W.B.I., but it seems as though it were yesterday. During these ten months I have had many new experiences and the Lord has proved

Himself to me in many new ways. Many times people feel sorry for us boys who have put on the King's uniform, but I am thankful for the many opportunities it has offered and for the lessons learned. The children of Israel never knew their God as the One who could roll back the waters of the Red Sea; or who could provide manna in the desert, and make the waters gush out of the rock until they were forced out of Egypt by trial and oppression. In the same way, we who were brought up in Christian homes and attended Christian schools learn to know our Lord as the all-sufficient One only in the time of trial and temptation, when we find ourselves surrounded by sin of every description. The blessed thing is that His Grace is sufficient.

We do need your prayers that our testimony may be bright and bold at all times and that we may have wisdom and tact in dealing with the lost. Pray for all of us in the forces. I trust that the Lord's richest blessing shall abide upon you all throughout this coming year.

Yours, because His,

David Barnes.

George Dugald and his wife, (Nee Lillian Nimrod) who were on the W. B. I. faculty for several years, spent a furlough in Winnipeg recently. Mrs. Dugald introduced their young daughter to the students also. George is now stationed at Paulson with the R. C. A. F.



Mrs. Williams has not been able to carry on her classes this year because of serious illness. We miss her greatly and pray for her continually, for she taught us as much by her utterly unselfish life as in her lovely lessons on the Book of John. As we came to know her more and more, we felt as though her daily walk and testimony were speaking to our hearts this message, "Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ."

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## Doctrinal Position of W. B. I.

The Institute holds and teaches the great truths which form the historic faith of the Church, as based upon the Holy Scriptures. For the sake of spiritual unity, points of controversy as between the great evangelical bodies are not emphasized. The school is distinctively non-sectarian. The following is a brief abstract of the doctrinal position:

1. The full divine authority of the Holy Scriptures.
2. The Trinity of the Godhead as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
3. The direct creation of the world and man.
4. The perfect Deity and Humanity of the Lord Jesus Christ.
5. The depravity and lost condition of all men by nature.
6. The substitutionary atonement in the shed blood of Jesus Christ.
7. The doctrine of justification by faith alone.
8. The perfect acceptance of every believer before God in Christ.
9. The real personality of Satan and other evil beings.
10. The personal coming again of Jesus Christ.
11. The resurrection of the dead, the righteous to everlasting blessedness and the wicked to everlasting damnation.
12. The responsibility of the saved for holiness of life and faithful witness to all men.



# W. B. I. Radio Broadcast

GKRG 630 kilocycles  
Thurs. 5.30-5.45 p.m.



Short wave GKRO  
48.75 Megacycles

Special Music by  
Students

Bible Meditations by  
Rev. R. Wesley Affleck

## OUR RADIO PRAYER

We do not ask that crowds may throng the temple,  
That standing room may be at a price.  
We only ask that as we voice the message  
Men may see Christ.

We do not ask for churchly pomp or pageant  
Or music such as wealth alone can buy.  
We only ask that as we voice the message  
He may be nigh.

We do not ask for earthly place or laurel  
Or of this world's distinction any part.  
We only ask when we have voiced the message  
Our Saviour's heart.

We do not ask that men may sound our praises  
Or headlines spread our fame abroad.  
We only ask that as we voice the message  
Hearts may find God.

(Author Unknown)

## Extracts from Letters

*(The following excerpts have been taken at random from letters received at W. B. I. during the past few months and show that the radio ministry is much appreciated.)*

**Morris, Man.** "In our home we find great joy in listening to your short devotional talks by radio. It will be easier for us to listen in at the new time (5.30 p.m., Thursdays) and we praise God for that. Please use the enclosed donation for the radio work." — *H. E.*

**Ste. Anne, Man.** "I had the opportunity of listening to the broadcast the day the student body sang, and the message from the Psalms seemed to be meant just for me. Yes, my heart sang all day. I would be very glad to receive copies of the addresses." — *T.K.*

**Dauphin, Man.** "I had intended writing sooner to express our interest and joy in your radio programs. They are a real blessing to us, and we look forward to hearing the sweet message from God's inspired word."

— *B. & L.G.*

**Newdale, Man.** "I am so thankful so many people are being helped by your broadcast. We enjoy it very much and get great help from your messages. At five o'clock we are usually out in the bush cutting wood, but now we come in at five-thirty to listen to your broadcast. I have to work outside too, like a man, and do my housework as well, but God gives me strength to carry on. I am enclosing a dollar to help with the radio fund and will continue to pray for you all." — *(Mrs.) D. D.*

**Dugald, Man.** "Your broadcast is coming in clear and plain and we are enjoying every bit of it, especially the messages on the Psalms. I would like to have a copy of these. Am enclosing a small gift. May the Lord bless you."

(Mrs.) *H. R. M.*



# The Third

*But thanks be to God*

# VICT

*through*

# Jesus

I COR. 15. 55



EMIL REIGEL,  
PRESIDENT



HAZEL WOODS,  
VICE-PRESIDENT



IOLA MORK



ELIZABETH UNRAU

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## Glass Chorus:

On the Victory side,  
On the Victory side,  
No foe can daunt us,  
No fear can haunt us,  
On the Victory side.

# Year Class

who giveth us the

# O R Y

our Lord

# Christ



JOSEPH GYOROG



BERNICE STENBERG



BEATRICE ROSS



ALMA WARKENTIN

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## Glass Chorus:

On the Victory side,  
On the Victory side,  
With Christ within,  
The fight we'll win,  
On the Victory side.

# Third Year Testimonies

*"He that glorieth, let Him glory in the Lord."*  
1 Cor. 1: 21.

Surely, all that I can say must be ascribed to the grace of God. My parents were saved during my early childhood so naturally I came under Christian influence. Early I acknowledged my lost condition and began to seek for salvation. My only hope and peace I found in the promises of God and Christ's finished work.

I desired to attend Bible School and the Lord unexpectedly opened my way, so that I have had the joy of studying God's Word during these past three years. I trust God for life and service and blessing in the ministry of the Word.

—*Emil Riegel.*

Having been born into a Christian family I began to learn early of the blessings of God. However, I did not accept Christ as my Saviour until I reached my late teens. Then I really began to taste of the precious truths of the Bible.

Bible school began with special classes and night school, but a taste created hunger for more, so I began to attend full time. There have been years of precious feasting upon the Word of God at the feet of my adorable Saviour.

My desire is to serve my Lord wherever He leads me, to invite others to "Taste and see that the Lord is good." — *Hazel Woods.*

Saved by grace through faith according to promise. John 6: 37—"All that the Father giveth Me shall come to Me; and him that cometh to Me I will in no wise cast out." Being conscious of my need of salvation I sought it, but it was not until I turned to my Bible and read John 6: 37 that I found any satisfaction. Having, I believed, this, I could say "Just as I am without one plea, but that Thy Blood was shed for me, and that Thou bidst me come to Thee, Oh Lamb of God, I come."

Being assured of His safe-keeping and knowing that "He leadeth me," I can stand on His Word for future guidance. As I leave school I take as my guide Psalms 37: 4, 6—"Delight thyself also in the Lord, and He shall give thee the desires of thine heart. Commit thy way unto the Lord, trust also in Him and He shall bring it to pass." — *Elizabeth Unrau.*

*"Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in Him; and He shall bring it to pass."* Psalm 37: 5.

Shortly after I found Christ as my Saviour, I felt that I should go into special service for Him, but circumstances prevented me from making thorough preparation. Nevertheless, when I said "yes" to God, I looked away from seemingly hopeless circumstances, and asked Him to open the way. Today I praise Him for His faithfulness to me. I have had the privilege of attending Bible School for three years, years of blessing for me. Here in Bible School I learned to know Him better through His Word and to trust and love Him more. No, Christ did not disappoint me; I committed myself to Him and He has directed my path. To Him be glory and praise. *J. G. Gyrog.*

*"Oh for a thousand tongues to praise my great Redeemer's name."*

I came to know and love the Lord when I was quite young. God spoke to my heart through an accident in which I was critically injured.

I do praise Him for His faithfulness and also for the joy He has given me in the study of His Word in the past few years.

As for the future I would say with the hymn-writer:

"Oh, I love the Christ who died for me;  
I am content His Child to be,  
The path ahead I need not see,  
The Lord I love, He leadeth me."

*Miriam B. Ross.*

Several years ago in an evangelistic meeting in Saskatchewan the Lord Jesus saved my soul. I was "not redeemed with corruptible things as silver and gold, but with the precious Blood of Christ." I became "a new creature in Christ Jesus."

When I was willing to say, "not my will, but Thine be done," He directed my steps to the W. B. I. Happy have been the moments in the study of His precious Word, and in fellowship with my blessed Lord, and fellow students.

The future is unknown, yet I can put my hand in His, and know that He will guide me. He is my "unfailing Friend." — *Iola Mork.*

## Third Year Class

Hazel Woods is vice-president.  
That she is capable is evident.  
Her accusing finger or reproving eye  
Is sufficient to make every student comply.

Beatrice Ross does her work at ease,  
In typing or playing runs over the keys.  
She moulds young musicians for their career.  
She'll be used in His service both far and near.

Iola Mork is a quiet little lass,  
But she can be heard in the sermon class.  
Are preachers born or made, we wonder?  
She must be "made." Just hear her yonder.

Emil Riegel for his memory is noted.  
His exam. papers show what the teachers have  
quoted.  
Relating bright stories he often is found.  
We enjoy them. So does he—if they don't rebound.

Elizabeth Unrau is small and fair,  
So quiet you hardly would know she is there.  
An ambitious young lady is Beth, you can tell,  
For she's working and taking night classes as well.

Alma Warkentin creates such a glad atmosphere  
We'll be happy next term to find her still here,  
But our rivals in Roland will miss her, 'tis true.  
They can have her for week-ends. That's all we  
can do.

Joe Gyorog has obligations to meet.  
With a family and church, we'd be run off our  
feet.  
But he still finds time for study and fun,  
And keeps us all cheerful when exams. have  
begun.

Bernice Stenberg, like Zacchaeus, is quite small,  
But she enjoys study more than we all.  
She has lots to say and says it with zest,  
But argument is what she seems to like best.

Psalm 121 has been a great blessing to me  
because all our help, leading and guiding, comes  
from the Lord. I am thankful to God for bring-  
ing me to the Winnipeg Bible Institute. I can  
see now that it was His definite leading. As I am  
unable to graduate this year due to illness, I am  
looking forward to coming back. To the gradu-  
ates I wish God's richest blessing and guidance  
as they go forth in His name.

—Alma Warkentin.

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The dear Lord came to find me  
When I was deep in sin,  
To give me life eternal  
And other souls to win

He has a plan already made,  
Although I cannot see,  
Clearly what His plan may be  
All stored away for me.

I know if I will closely live  
Near to my Saviour's side,  
He will take my hand in His  
And in my heart abide.

And when my Saviour leads me  
In paths where I may win  
Other souls, that they may know  
This peace I have within.

Willingly with all my heart  
My little lamp I'll trim,  
My life I'll live for Jesus;  
My light shall shine for Him.

—B. Stenberg.

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## Members of the Student Council

EMIL RIEGEL, *President of Student Body.*  
HAZEL WOODS, *Vice-President.*  
MALCOLM RANS, *Secretary-Treas. (First term)*  
IOLA MORK, *Secretary-Treasurer (Second Term)*

SAM RAPKO, *President 2nd Year Class.*  
NANCY KOOP, *Vice-President 2nd Year Class.*  
PETER KEHLER, *President 1st Year Class.*  
JOHN FRIESEN, *Vice-President 1st Year Class.*

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# The Second Year Class



BACK ROW: NANCY KOOP, AGATHA DOERKSEN, JUSTINA BUHLER, MARGARET TOEWS, MARY DYCK.

2ND. ROW: HELEN KOOP, MABEL DAVIES, SAM RAPKO (PRES.), WESLEY KLASSEN, EVELYN BOTTRELL, CORA HOWLAND.

3RD. ROW: AGNES DUECK, RAY JACOB, BERTHA PORATH, ANNE KOOP, MARY KEHLER.

## Class Motto:

"I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." PHIL. 4: 13.

## Class Chorus:

Love This World Through Me . . . .

Love this world thro' me, Lord,  
This world of broken men.  
Thou didst love thro' death, Lord:  
Oh love in me again,  
Souls are in despair, Lord,

Oh make me know and care,  
When my life they see  
May they behold Thee.  
Oh love this world thro' me, thro' me,  
Oh love this world thro' me.

## Class Hymn:

"Launch Out into the Deep"

# The Second Year Class

MARGARET TOEWS comes first on the roll,  
She studies hard and should make the goal.  
If opposition blocks her view,  
She trusts the Lord, and goes right through.

MARY KEHLER is a good sweet lass,  
She brought two brothers to the first year class.

The President, same as last year  
Is SAMMY RAPKO, we note it here  
He comes to school; its for the best—  
He simply has to — He needs the rest!

If you hear a word from AGNES DUECK  
It's well worth while, so let it stick.

WESLEY KLASSEN cannot be missed,  
Dean Alleck calls him "a hellenist."  
And if it's a boss you're looking for,  
He's good at that, and a dozen more.

There's MABEL DAVIES, with dimpled cheeks,  
She laughs and giggles, but seldom speaks.

RAYMONDE JACOB, where is she?  
She'll be right back, just gone for tea.

MARY DYCK, we cannot leave out  
For she's the kind we need about.  
She sings and plays and any work  
That she can do, she will not shirk.

JUSTINA BUEHLER from Three Hills came,  
To keep in our school the family name.

ANNE KOOP in much talking not often is caught  
But she's thinking great thoughts (more often  
than not).

Do you see someone hustling around?  
That's EVELYN BOTIRELL. Her books must  
be found.  
She anxiously waits for results to come out,  
But passes in all her exams, I've no doubt.

Have you heard our trio over the air?  
Tune in next Thursday. CORA HOWLAND is  
there.

NANCY KOOP is our Vice-President.  
Many letters to her brother, she's sent  
She cheers him thus; but we want more—  
Her pleasant smile which we adore.

BERTHA PORATH'S motto is always "Just  
Pray."  
Tests and trials cannot spoil her day.

AGATHA DOERKSEN is one of the four,  
A Ste. Anne girl, we wish we had more.  
She's helpful, studious, a laughing lass;  
Studying hard her exams. to pass.

HELEN KOOP is active, very,  
In school, at home, and always merry.  
Her days are full of kindly deeds.  
(She also meets our social needs.)

MALCOLM RANS is full of fun  
Though you would never know while class is on.  
With a studious look he seems to ponder  
Theological problems, but then, I wonder?



*Malcolm Rans.* Mac came to us from Saskatchewan to enjoy the studies in God's precious Word, at W.B.I. His jovial nature and love for service made him a general favorite among the students. After a year and a half here, he responded to his country's call and entered the navy. His absence has been keenly felt by us all. May God be with him and reward him for every duty faithfully rendered in His name.

# Selections from Second Year Essays

## The Christian's Journey

Every Wednesday afternoon an English period at W. B. I. is devoted to the study of John Bunyan's immortal "Pilgrim's Progress." It is a most interesting story and a source of great blessing to our hearts. We see the spiritual life portrayed as a journey, starting at the City of Destruction and concluding at the Celestial City. As we read, we imagine ourselves travelling along towards the City of God. Having entered at the wicked gate, we were relieved of our burden of sin at the Cross, and were given a robe of righteousness.

Many crooked side-roads would lure us off into pleasant pastures, but we know that only the King's Highway, straight and narrow, will lead us into our desired haven. Enemies lurking along the side of the road are ready to attack us at every point, but our King has equipped us with an armour, strong enough to withstand the fiery darts of the wicked one, so we are always more than conquerors "through Him that loved us and gave Himself for us." Although we do not know what lies before us on this journey, we are confident that one day we shall reach the Celestial City where the King Himself shall welcome us home, "and so shall we ever be with the Lord."

—Margaret Toews.

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## Strength for the Needy

"For Thou hast been a strength to the needy in his distress, a refuge from the storm, a shadow from the heat, when the blast of the terrible ones is as a storm against the wall." Isaiah 25: 4. The Lord Jesus Christ truly is a refuge from the storm, a shadow from the heat, and a strength to the needy.

All around us are people who are turning a deaf ear to the gospel. They are not ready for that day when Christ shall come, but are living as though it were not coming. Many like to think that after death a miracle happens which makes them worthy to be received at God's right hand. But this miracle must take place before death. Our Lord said, "Ye must be born again." There are so many false ideas which prevail in many hearts.

Jesus wept over the city of Jerusalem because they would not come to Him that they might have life. Unless He is our personal Saviour, we have no "refuge in the time of storm."

"Other refuge have I none,

Hangs my helpless soul on Thee."

What a comforting thought to know He is a shadow from the heat. A visitor once asked a little Indian orphan what the Lord Jesus Christ

meant to her. The reply was very sweet: "He is my mother." To her, He was One to whom she could run for comfort. She had no mother to comfort her; she learned that He was the One who could meet all her need.

The world offers poor comfort to sore and lonely hearts. They know nothing of the "Cleft Rock of Ages," in whom they can hide. He is the great comforter, the mighty Rock.

In the rough places and in the smooth places we can lean on God and He will not fail us, Psa. 37: 23-25. As we lay hold of His promises we find Him always true.

—Iola Mork.

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## A Glimpse into a Backwoods District

Piney, my home town, is in the southern part of Manitoba, and is noted for its beautiful scenery. There are steep hills with long winding roads through the dense forests, and as you walk along, a wild animal frequently pops out, or a bird rises suddenly in front of you. The huge snowbanks in winter, however, are not so welcome.

The people are very friendly and kind, but "the Lord seeth not as man seeth, for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh on the heart," and there are very few of these people who truly believe in Jesus Christ as their Saviour. However, we thank God that He does not forget "back-woods districts" such as Piney, and that He saw fit to send someone to tell us about the undying love of Christ. The Canadian Sunday School Mission has played a great part in bringing the gospel to south-eastern Manitoba. In our district we have divers religions, Catholics, United Church, Lutheran, Unitarians, and others. How impossible it is to please them all in church matters. We have no church building as yet but are starting to build in the town. Services are held meanwhile in the dance hall. The majority of those who come to preach do not proclaim the love of Christ. Summer Bible Schools have been held both north and south of the town, but it was very difficult work because most of the people were indifferent or even opposed to their children being taught the scriptures.

Really the hearts of most of the people are black with sin. You need not go to Africa or China to see heathenism. But we who love the Lord believe that through His grace the hearts of these people can be changed. We beseech you to pray with us for the district of Piney, and especially for the young people there, that there might be something to hold up these who are saved. All they have now is the dance hall and the movies.

—Bertha Porath.



# Charge to the Graduating Class

*by Sam Rapko, President of Second Year Class*

WE, the Junior Students of the Winnipeg Bible Institute, regret deeply seeing you, our Seniors, go out from among us. The time we have spent with you has been precious, and a great help to each one of us in our Christian lives. Though our hearts are saddened by your departure, nevertheless there is a ray of joy, because you are going to be scattered to the far corners of the earth carrying the glorious gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ to hungry souls.

We have enjoyed the fellowship with each one of you. Your lives have been a blessing to us in the various activities of the school. We

thank you for your labours and patience in helping us to prepare ourselves to live as true soldiers of the Cross. Our desire is that you keep on loving those with whom you come in contact throughout life, for Christ's sake; because we know that "faith which worketh by love availeth."

Therefore, our charge to you graduates is: "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in Heaven." In doing this, you cannot but please God, and great will be your reward when the Lamb of God, even Jesus Christ, shall appear. For has He not said, "Behold, I come quickly and MY reward is with ME."

## Response to Charge

*by Emil Reigel*

IT is with mingled feelings that we, the graduates, respond to your charge. It seems only a short time since a year ago we, then the second year class, gave the charge to the graduates. Today the charge is given to us!

We are grateful to you, our fellow students, for your words of appreciation regarding our fellowship together these short years at school. In the small measure that we have been helpful to you in your Christian lives we have done it with joy, but regret that we have come short of Christian duty. We would desire earnestly that you follow our better example and forget our mistakes and failures.

We, too, must say that we have appreciated your fellowship as we have learned to love you. Therefore, we also experience a feeling of sadness

at the thought of parting; however, in the Lord we know that "Goodbye" is just "until we meet again."

By the grace of God we want to help in the spreading of the Gospel of Christ, to which end we have spent these years of preparation here. We feel grateful indeed to our Heavenly Father for this privilege of becoming better fitted for His service. Now our desire is, as you have charged us, to let our light so shine before men, that they may see our good works and glorify our Father, which is in heaven.

In closing, let us assure you that we desire God's abundant blessing to abide with you. With Paul, we "commend you to God, and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified."

"Whatsoever things are true,  
Whatsoever things are honest,  
Whatsoever things are just,  
Whatsoever things are pure,  
Whatsoever things are lovely,  
Whatsoever things are of a good report,  
If there be any virtue, and  
If there be any praise,  
THINK ON THESE THINGS."

—Phil. 4: 8.



To be alive in such an age,  
To live to it, to give to it  
Give thanks with all thy flaming heart,  
Crave but in it to have a part,  
Give thanks and clasp thy heritage,  
To be alive in such an age.

*Marjorie K. Taylor*

# *The First Year Class*



PETER KEHLER, PRESIDENT. JOHN FRIESEN, VICE-PRES. BERNHARD KEHLER.  
OLGA KROEKER HAZEL DAVIES MINTIE REIMER MARY BERGEN



## Glass Motto:

"For me to live is Christ." PHIL. 1: 21.

## Class Chorus:

"With eternity's values in view  
With eternity's values in view  
May I do each day's work for Jesus,  
With eternity's values in view."

## Glass Hymn:

"It may not be on the Mountain Height."

# The First Year Class

## BEN KEHLER—

To us it is a mystery  
How Ben learned so much history.  
Did he in ancient Egypt dwell?  
Or meet those kings he knows so well?

## JOHNNY FRIESEN—

"Friesen, Friesen, we're frozen!" we shout,  
Then John runs to see if the fire's gone out.

## MINTIE REIMER—

Mintie brings her problems and asks us all  
to pray,  
We're sure she'll witness bravely wherever  
she may stay.

## NETTIE EPP—

Nettie's blue eyes sparkle with laughter and  
with zest,  
Except when she is facing an essay or a test.

## MARY BERGEN—

Mary Bergen assimilates English so fast  
She may leave us all far behind at the last.

## HAZEL DAVIES—

Hazel comes from Newdale  
Where Summer Schools were taught.  
She learned there of the Saviour  
And further training sought.

## PETER KEHLER—

Peter is a teacher, so knows more than  
the rest;  
But he loves to learn of Jesus, and likes  
Bible study best.

## OLGA KROEKER—

We all love Olga Kroeker,  
She's so quiet and sincere  
We thank the Lord who brought her  
To study with us here.

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Miss Harriet Moore and Mrs. Dave Unrau are both taking special studies with us this year. You will find more about Miss Moore on Page 21.



MISS H. MOORE

MRS. D. UNRAU

We regret the absence of Nettie Epp from the group picture and from the happy family of W. B. I. Unfortunately, she met with a serious accident on her way to school on the morning of February 9. She was hit by a fire engine and sustained a fractured jaw, fractured hip and severe shock. After receiving first aid treatment, she was admitted to Misericordia Hospital where she is receiving the best of care and is progressing slowly but steadily towards complete recovery, we believe.

Nettie was a first year student, very happy and enthusiastic in her work, and we trust that she will be able to return to study with us next term. Meanwhile we miss her greatly and sympathize with her in this long, wearisome time of convalescence inactivity. We are sorry indeed that we are not able to get a picture of Nettie for our Year Book, but just wait till next year!

# Messages from First Year Students

Three years ago I received Jesus Christ as my Saviour and Lord. I realized that I was not my own, that I was "bought with a price," and from henceforth I wanted to serve Him who had redeemed me by His precious blood. As our Bible is our sword in the fight for righteousness, I felt the necessity of acquainting myself with its contents, as well as its use, and therefore came to the Winnipeg Bible Institute. Here my Lord has daily bestowed benefits upon me, for which I praise Him.

Realizing that the Bible is not the work and thought of men, but that of the infinite God, we might expect its study to be too big a subject. Nevertheless, by the guidance of the Holy Spirit we discover blessing untold, in exploring its wonderful depths.

—*Agatha Doersken.*

## MY TESTIMONY

I do count it a privilege to tell you what my Lord means to me. I remember when I was a youngster of about five years of age, that we lived on a farm and mother used to take me to see grandmother. Oh, how I enjoyed going with her! I remember one day in particular, in going to see her, that the road was very slippery and the cliffs difficult to climb. I always felt myself slipping and falling; then mother took my hand and I got there safely.

Friends, it was the same when first I found the Lord. I came to Jesus when I was seventeen. I tried for some time to live my own way which I thought was best. I thank God heartily that he opened my eyes and showed me that I was His and He alone could keep me from falling.

How true that is today. I believe there is many a convert who takes life into his own hands

and says, "I'll live my life the way I think is right." We have yet to get to the place where we realize our own weakness. We will then see the glorious things the Lord can do with a life surrendered to Him.

I can truly say that my life is in the Lord's care and I am willing to let Him lead me wherever He desires. I would rather have Jesus than great riches. Now I know that my Redeemer liveth, for He lives in my heart every moment of the day. Truly, every day with Jesus is sweeter than the day before.

—*John Friesen.*

## WHAT WE STUDY IN THE BIBLE SCHOOL

You may think as one of my friends remarked, "Studying the Bible, every day, the same subject, month after month, must become very monotonous!" Well, you would be greatly surprised to see the variety of subjects taught in Bible school. In agriculture, are not the tools, the soil and the seed carefully studied and prepared. How much more have the tools for the neglected field of immortal souls to be studied and prepared. The seed, which is the Word of God has to be most carefully selected and sown, a certain kind for a particular time, in a particular soil. Nails and wire for fencing must be gathered to keep out the little foxes that spoil the vines. The bell of the lamb won't scare away the wolf, or the lion that prowls about seeking whom he may devour. Traps must not be set in any haphazard fashion. The sheep are wandering; some are weary and crippled. The labourers are few and the time is precious. How can you equip yourself for this important work. Why, come to W.B.I.! Those are the things that we are studying.

—*Mary Bergen.*

If you cannot speak like angels,  
If you cannot preach like Paul,  
You can tell the love of Jesus,  
You can say, "He died for all."  
If you cannot rouse the wicked  
With the judgment's dread alarms;  
You can lead the little children  
To the Saviour's waiting arms.

Let none hear you idly saying  
"There is nothing I can do."  
While the souls of men are dying,  
And the Master calls for you,  
Take the task He gives you gladly,  
Let His work your pleasure be.  
Answer quickly when He calleth,  
"Here am I, oh Lord, send me."

—*Daniel March.*

# Roll of Students

MARY BERGEN, Pansy, Manitoba.  
 EVELYN BOTTRELL, Ochre River, Manitoba.  
 JUSTINA BUIILER, Plum Coulee, Manitoba.  
 MABEL DAVIES, Newdale, Manitoba.  
 HAZEL DAVIES, Newdale, Manitoba.  
 AGATHA DOERKSEN, Ste. Anne, Manitoba.  
 AGNES DUECK, Morris, Manitoba.  
 MARY DYCK, Winkler, Manitoba.  
 NETTIE EPP, Myrtle, Manitoba.  
 JOHN FRIESEN, Rosthern, Saskatchewan.  
 JOSEPH GYOROG, Winnipeg, Manitoba.  
 MRS. J. GYOROG, Winnipeg, Manitoba.  
 CORA HOWLAND, Winnipeg, Manitoba.  
 RAYMOND JACOB, Transcona, Manitoba.  
 MARY KEHLER, Morden, Manitoba.  
 PETER KEHLER, Morden, Manitoba.  
 BERNHARD KEHLER, Morden, Manitoba.  
 WESLEY KLASSEN, Giroux, Manitoba.

HAZEL WOODS, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

ANNE KOOP, Ste. Anne, Manitoba.  
 HELEN KOOP, Ste. Anne, Manitoba.  
 NANCY KOOP, Hochstadt, Manitoba.  
 OLGA KROEGER, Lorette, Manitoba.  
 HARRIET MOORE, Qu'Appelle, Saskatchewan.  
 IOLA MORK, Lauder, Manitoba.  
 MRS. PENWARDEN, Winnipeg, Manitoba.  
 BERTHA PORATH, Piney, Manitoba.  
 MALCOLM RANS, Broderick, Saskatchewan.  
 SAMUEL RAPKO, Lockport, Manitoba.  
 MINTIE REIMER, Lorette, Manitoba.  
 EMIL RIEGEL, Morris, Manitoba.  
 BEATRICE ROSS, Winnipeg, Manitoba.  
 BERNICE STENBERG, Winnipeg, Manitoba.  
 MARGARET TOEWS, Ste. Anne, Manitoba.  
 ELIZABETH UNRAU, Plum Coulee, Manitoba.  
 MRS. DAVE UNRAU, Winnipeg, Manitoba.  
 ALMA WARKENTIN, Roland, Manitoba.

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## Night School Class

EDNA BURGESS  
 JOHN CAMPBELL  
 LA VERNE CARD (R.C.A.F.)  
 MAYNARD DALEY  
 DOROTHY HOWARD

ELVA HOWARD  
 DOROTHY HUMPHRIES  
 MRS. F. KNIGHT  
 MARGARET MACDONALD  
 ARCHIE McLENNON

MRS. J. R. MACDONALD  
 MARY TAYLOR  
 MARGARET THOMPSON  
 LAURA STEELE

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## Testimonies from Night School Students

(Space permits our printing only three testimonies from the night school students.)

Seeking, but knowing not what I needed, trying works without faith, my steps were turned to Jesus, and now He has given me His Peace which passes all understanding although I am only a sinner saved by grace.

*Mary Taylor.*

My favorite scripture is, "But thanks be unto God, who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." How true this is! Is it not through Christ that we are more than victors? Thus we are enabled to live a life that really counts.

*Margaret Thompson.*

The world today is pleasure-mad. Everything is done to the tune of "eat, drink and be merry, for tomorrow we die." Against this we hear the words echoing and re-echoing: "Thou wilt show me the path of life. In Thy presence is fullness of joy and at Thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore." This message is for young people seeking a rich full life, for it is to be found only in the Saviour who came that "we might have life and that we might have it more abundantly."

*Dorothy Humphries.*



## South America

THE two Americas have many things in common. They were discovered about the same time and were invaded and settled by Europeans. Their conditions and interests are, to a great extent the same. Yet what a difference!

The South American Indian has not had any education, and, between paying the priest and the government he hardly makes his living.

Since he has received no teachings of purity, nor has any worthwhile examples to follow, the native of South America knows not what it is to be morally upright.

The God he worships is an idol of wood or of tin, a most horrible looking figure, representing the person of our Lord. This image shows what Christ is to him, certainly not a Saviour, Friend, Guide, the Altogether Lovely One.

Roman Catholicism has dominated South America for 500 years, doing its best to keep the gospel out of the country. Instead of a living Saviour; a priest, an idol and a set of rules is given to souls groping in darkness.

Must they stay thus, because the Catholics have entered where the Protestants failed? Shall we hesitate to enter now because the priest forbids it, when Christ has commanded, "Go ye into all the world"?

"When I say unto the wicked, thou shalt surely die; and thou givest him not warning—the wicked man shall die in his iniquity, but his blood will I require at thy hand." Ezek. 3: 18.—*Helen Koop*.

*The following extracts have been taken from examination papers written in January, 1944.*

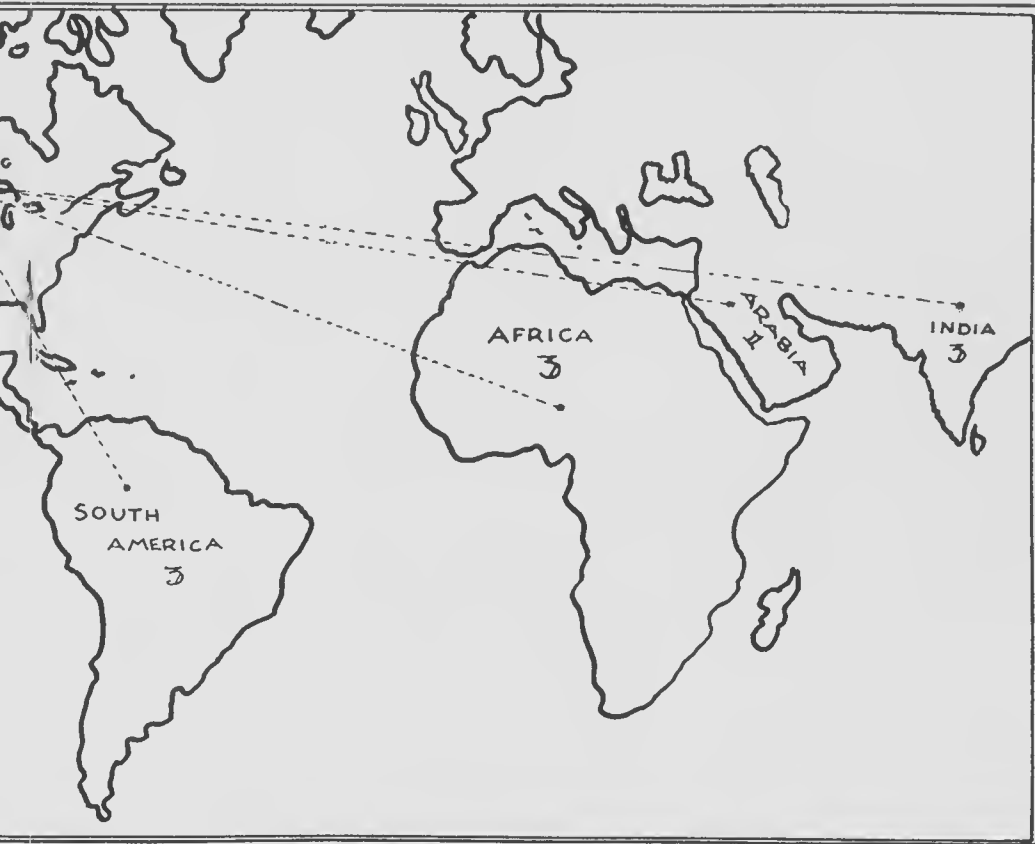
*They reveal the attitude of the average student towards missionary work.*

More than ever before, the need of the lost has been impressed on my mind. All the missionaries stress the need for more workers. Not one was able to say that there were enough workers on that field but always there was the challenge to send more. I am stirred to serve Christ more faithfully right here and to pray, "Lord, here am I. Use me in whatever way you wish and in whatever place you wish."

Raymond Frame's addresses made me feel that I should serve God more faithfully—that it is my obligation to tell others about Christ—that I owe it to man as well as to God, to tell of God's love and what He has done for me. Whether I like to do it or not I owe it to Him.

After hearing and reading of the misery of the heathen, I have marvelled at the wisdom and grace of God, that I should be born into so much more favourable circumstances.

The ministry of Mr. Raymond Frame has made a great change in my idea of missions. I realized not only the need of the world but our responsibility toward Christ and those who have held the torch before our time. How can I be the one to drop the torch and break the line of faithful witnesses? In our missions' classes I have seen the need of the people—their shame, suffering and degradation. Between love for Christ and love for the lost, I cannot help but say, "Lord, here am I, send me."



## India

MISS Moore brings us this message after serving in India for 14 years as a missionary of the "Women's Union Missionary Society" of America. She is now taking special studies at the Winnipeg Bible Institute.

*Jer. 33: 3, "Call unto Me and I will answer thee and show thee great and mighty things which thou knowest not."*

In India, those who have experienced years of service know that the missionary is confronted with many problems. First, there is the caste system. The Hindoos have the largest population, and one caste refuses to have anything to do with another. Then there are the "outcastes" or depressed classes. Hindu belief is varied. They worship so many things that it is difficult for them to understand that God is one and that He gave His Son, Jesus Christ.

Then there is the problem of many languages, dialects and nationalities. One must also become acquainted with the different religions to know how to deal with the people. How great the task is that awaits us in India! There are 65,000,000 outcastes dissatisfied with their religion and seeking another. Many have recently become Christians. How can we lead these unsaved to Jesus? It is a great problem but God has shown me that He is able to guide us in our witnessing for Him as we go forth to tell the Gospel message.

## My Prayer

Lord, for a life of earthly joys,  
I do not ask;  
Nor for a lovely, rosy plain  
To do my task;  
I do not pray that Thou wouldst take  
Away the cross;  
Or that I bear no sorrow here,  
And know no loss.  
May I not crave the praise of men,  
For deeds of mine;  
That in the light of fame *my name*  
Should brightly shine.

I only pray that I may be,  
Lord, fully Thine,  
And in the corner Thou dost choose,  
There may I shine.  
Make me desire to cross the sea  
At Thy command;  
Or if Thou sayst "Stand still and wait,"  
Lord, may I stand:  
If Thou wouldst have me work for Thee  
All through life's day,  
At some unnoticed, lowly task,  
May I obey.

Lord, this my prayer shall ever be,  
Whate'er I do,  
That to my Master, Lord and King,  
I may be true.

Helen Koop,  
Second Year Class.

# Missions



## The Africa Prayer Group

FOUR of the organizations in which we students are particularly interested are: The Africa Inland Mission, The Sudan Interior Mission, The Sudan United Mission and the South Africa General Mission. These are all evangelical and interdenominational..

The Sudan Interior Mission was organized by Rowland Bingham in 1898. Their work began in Nigeria and has now branched out to include also French West Africa, Ethiopia, and the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan, with over four hundred missionaries "on active service." Their representatives visited our school this winter during the S. I. M. Jubilee Conference held in Winnipeg. Mrs. John Henderson, whose home is here, also visited us during her furlough. Through their messages we entered into a fuller understanding of the work of this mission.

The Sudan United Mission was formed about forty years ago and works alongside the S. I. M. They have a hundred and sixty-nine missionaries in Northern Nigeria, the Cameroons, French Equatorial Africa and the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan.

The South Africa General Mission began in South Africa under the leadership of Dr. Andrew Murray and Mr. Walton. There are only a hundred missionaries for this vast field with about forty stations in Portuguese Territory, Rhodesia, Nyasaland and Natal. Miss Catherine Henderson and Mr. A. A. Wilson visited the school presenting the needs of the S. A. G. M.

The Africa Inland Mission was born through the obedience of Peter Cameron Scott in 1895. He laid down his life for the sake of the Gospel in Kenya after less than two years service. The Mission works in Kenya Colony, Tanganyika, the Congo, the West Nile district of Uganda and French Equatorial Africa. The Winnipeg Bible Institute has contributed two Missionaries to this field, Mr. John Schellenberg and Miss Hazel Hill.

The Mission is represented in Bible School this winter by Miss Margaret Moody who is on our staff. Mr. and Mrs. Hess have visited us also on behalf of the Mission.

In spite of the great work these Missions are doing in Africa there is yet much territory to be possessed for the Lord Jesus Christ. A hundred tribes as yet have never had a missionary among them. The need is still great and presents a mighty challenge for prayer on the part of Christians throughout the world.

—Hazel Woods.

## Asia and the Near East

THE British Syrian Mission reports great blessing in the work among the soldiers and airmen stationed in Syria. Several of these young men, seeing the results of gospel teaching among the Syrians have volunteered to go into missionary service as soon as the war is over.

A new pamphlet, "The Contested Highway," issued by the China Inland Mission, shows how the Word of God has run and had free course in Inland China, in spite of the ravages of the Japanese army. The Chinese government is greatly influenced these days by Christian leaders. The American ambassador, Mr. Wilkie, paid tribute to the devotion to God of Madam and Generalissimo Chiang Kai Shek. God's guidance is sought in daily prayer meetings by these Christian officials.

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# Missions



THE REV. RAYMOND FRAME OF THE CHINA INLAND MISSION, WHO BROUGHT US A SERIES OF MISSIONARY MESSAGES DURING THE FIRST TWO WEEKS OF OCTOBER.

The next question is, who should preach the Gospel? This can only be done by those who know and have experienced the Grace of God. Christ says, "Ye are my witnesses." It is a condition of discipleship, that we bear much fruit. In order to bear fruit we need to be crucified with Christ and resurrected to a new life of holiness and service. Paul says, "... for necessity is laid upon me; yea, woe is me if I preach not the Gospel." 1 Cor. 9:16.

Seeing that we are obliged to preach the Gospel, we ask *where* does God expect us to preach it? Christ did not appoint any special place of service for his disciples. He told them to start at home and go to the uttermost part of the earth, for all have sinned and come short of the glory of God. Our duty is to launch out into a world of sin, and expect God through his Holy Spirit to guide us into his appointed place of service.

—M. Kehler.

## India

### Why? Who? Where?

THIS is a very common question today, Men ask us why we go to Bible School, and what we intend to do after we graduate. To this we gladly reply, "We want to learn more of our Saviour and His precious Word, so that we can tell it to those who are still in darkness." Then people ask why we should be concerned about the state of the heathen, saying, "If God is a God of Love he will not let them perish." The answer to these arguments was made very clear to us by brother Raymond Frame, a missionary on furlough.

He showed us first *why* we should feel obliged to do mission work. Christ, while on earth, was not only concerned about the physical and temporal needs of man, but "came to seek and to save that which was lost." If that was His primary purpose, we should also seek to do as he did. He also commissioned his disciples to "Go into all the world and preach the gospel." Can we deliberately disobey such a command? If upon receiving a gift from a friend, we feel obliged to bring a thank-offering, how can we withhold our service as a thank-offering to God, who is the Giver of the most precious gift, Jesus Christ? Can we be so selfish as to keep the good news of salvation to ourselves, when men all around us are going to a Christless eternity?

BEN Gates is now serving with the army in India.

The following is an extract from a recent letter of Mrs. Gates:

He writes very cheerfully from his camp and the Lord has and does give glorious opportunities to witness amongst officers and men. He has a mixed battalion of men who speak Tamil, Telugu and Malayalam, while our language is Marathi. Hindustani stands him in good stead and we send Scriptures for the men in their several languages. Each of our five missionaries was placed in a different battalion and they are the only Christian officers in a company of about 1,600 men, so we see God's purpose in placing His witnesses where the need is so great. We are sure that the prayers of the friends in Canada and our homeland have been a powerful factor in their lives and have kept them safe in perilous places. We and the mission long for the time when our men can join forces with us again in the needy villages of India.

We feel that the time is short for work here. We know not how long it will be our privilege to give the gospel to the poor villagers of India. In this our Jubilee year of work in Western India, we are praying for spiritual revival. So many have come to the point of confessing Christ in baptism, then have trembled on the brink. Those who have been baptized need all the encouragement we can give. Maybe God has to deal more with us as missionaries and we are praying that He will revive us each one.

# Alumni News

## OFFICERS 1943-44

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JOHN AND  
 LAURA  
 BARBOUR  
 ON STEPS OF  
 MANSE  
 AT  
 NEEPAWA



Dear Alumni Members and Graduates:

Another year of war, with all its turmoil and anxiety has passed; but the outlook is much brighter than a year ago. We have seen the working of God, and if the people of the United Nations will seek first the things of the kingdom of God, Victory will be hastened.

But there is another war to be carried on with unceasing vigor. It is part of the Battle of the Ages. It is the battle of good against evil, of right against wrong. It is the battle for the souls of men. We are privileged to be soldiers of the Cross. Let us look to our spiritual armour and fearlessly raise aloft the blood-stained banner. There are many gaps in the line of the righteous. There is much to be accomplished for Jesus Christ. May the year that is ahead of us be one of realizing our privilege as co-workers with the eternal Son of God.

Yours in His Service, *John A. Barbour.*

THORA AND BILL GIETZ, ST. THOMAS, ONT.

How precious is the bond of love that binds our hearts together in these days when the world knows so much of hatred that places one at enmity with the other. In our travels, by reason of the R. C.A.F. postings, we see so much of sin and heart-break and loneliness. It brings many opportunities to "speak just a word for Jesus," and raises in us a great heart cry even as from the disciples, "Lord, teach us to pray."

Probably most of you know that Bill and I were married a year ago, chiefly to save the alumni the expense of sending our individual letters to us! We count it a privilege to remember each one of you at "the throne of grace," and to commit you to El Shaddi, the God who is enough.

*Nils Jacobson, with the Lord!* The last letter we received from Nils and Alta Jacobson was filled with rejoicing over a revival in the Crunpel district of French Equatorial Africa, and told also of the birth of a daughter, Muriel Ann at the Bangui Hospital, December 16. Then, on February 12th the following sad cable was received: "Nils with Jesus—Diphtheria. Alta Jacobson." Our sympathy goes out to the young mother so suddenly bereaved. Her two older children are in the United States.

*Rev. Wm. R. Shunk*, who has graduated from Wheaton College, is now taking up advanced studies at Faith Theological Seminary.

Carl Dohms is a country pastor at Hearts Hill, Sask. He writes: "I have a country appointment here at Hearts Hill, with a nice little church out on the bald prairies, and a faithful group of Christians to stand back of me. There is a large district here, with a great need, and great possibilities for the spread of the gospel. Your prayer help would be much appreciated."

## In the Armed Forces

Aaron Buhler, ..... Terrace, B. C.  
 Dan Buhler, ..... Portage la Prairie, Man.  
 \* Frank Buhler, ..... Overseas  
 Frank Beswitherick, ..... Brandon, Man.  
 John Burnett, ..... Dundurn, Sask.  
 \* Leslie Delgaty, ..... Prince George, B. C.  
 Ralph Delgaty, ..... Sicily  
 \* Jack French, ..... Overseas  
 Ben Gates, ..... India  
 \* Peter Gerbrandt, ..... British Columbia  
 Bill Gietz, ..... Kingston, Ont.  
 \* Edwin Hickey, ..... Edmonton, Alta.  
 Wilfred Highfield, ..... Overseas  
 Leonard Pattimore, ..... Overseas  
 \* Howard Olson, ..... Overseas  
 Peter Loewen, ..... Red Deer, Alberta  
 \* Abe Hyslop, ..... Overseas  
 \* Edward Smuland .....  
 \* Dan Smuland .....  
 \* George Stainger, ..... Calgary, Alberta  
 \* Non-Graduates

## Alumni Altar

Thora Oliver to William Gietz  
 Lydia Arndt to Lawrence Pullman  
 Gladys Alguire to Andrew Olson  
 Clara Dyck to Mr. Roberts  
 Eleanor Ferch to Wilfred Beefus  
 John Schellenberg to Alice Landis  
 William Shunk to Ruth Cutler  
 Randall Heindrichs to Adeline Otto  
 Millie Wolfe to David Guenther

# and Views

Alice and John Schellenberg

KENYA, AFRICA



There is an increasing need for evangelistic work here in Kitui district, as there is a vast unreached population of approximately 200,000 people (natives) besides many Indians from India, covering a territory of 20,000 square miles. Four of us on this outstation are responsible for reaching these people.

There are several untouched tribes about one hundred miles from our station and the Mission has asked us to pray about helping to start a new work on the border of one of these tribes. Increasingly we feel the Lord would be pleased to use us in this way, but realize that a step such as this must be led of Him; and so as we wait upon Him, we are trusting Him to lead us there in His time. The responsibilities of such work are indeed great, but the Lord is saying, "Have not I commanded thee, be strong and of good courage . . . go in and possess the land." Do pray with us as we consider this step with Him.

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Randall Groening

MEXICO

This past summer has been a blessed time for me. I have had many wonderful times pointing men and women to the Lamb of God, and that of course is the supreme joy my life. From here I have gone into all directions, visiting Indians and Mexicans. Most of my trips I made on horseback and some of them took several days, which meant eating and sleeping out. Very interesting indeed. On a few occasions the Lord wonderfully protected me against rattlesnake bites. In fact I have killed four such creatures this year, but believe me when I am not on the safe side for the attack. I leave those things in peace.

Yes, I have been here alone for a little over a year now and many think that my life must be an awfully weary one, but I am afraid they who think so fool themselves. I would in no wise consider any exchange with anyone. In a way I am alone, yet not alone; His presence is dear and near to me.

William and Elsie Bauman

COLOMBIA, SOUTH AMERICA

How good it feels to be back in the homeland and again see loved ones and friends. It will be eight years next June since I left the shores of Canada. Now I am returning to you with my dear wife. We have enjoyed a very blessed time of service together and our hearts overflow with praise and thanksgiving for all He has done. We wonder if our service has been all that it should have been, but our merciful God has honoured our feeble efforts in spite of our defects. The blessed seed has been sown under different circumstances and now we are looking to Him for the harvest.

Where we laboured for three long years without the sight of a single soul coming to the Lord, there is today a native church with native workers. A house has been bought and regular meetings are held. During those three years many Bibles and New Testaments were sold. Thousands of carefully chosen tracts were given out, and now that the Rio-Negro is producing fruit for those hard and worthy labours, we cannot express the joy we feel. Words fail us to praise God for this reward. All the tears we shed, the great loneliness we experienced, and the persecution we suffered seem so insignificant now.

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Jack and Evelyn Thomas

COLOMBIA, SOUTH AMERICA

The Lord continues to bless His work here, and in our outstations in spite of opposition. In one centre, Lajas by name, a man was specially trained and sent by the priest to molest our meetings. He succeeded in stirring up a few, which nearly resulted in bloodshed. However, once again our Lord triumphed and instead of being discouraged we are rejoicing for one man, (a believer) has kindly offered us all the wood to put up a little chapel!

ERLAND AND EMMA CARLSON WITH THEIR CHILDREN IN PARAGUAY, SOUTH AMERICA.



MR. AND MRS. WM. BAUMAN SHOW HOW LEMONS GROW IN COLOMBIA



# Life at W. B. I.



By Mable Davies

HOW do boys and girls put themselves through Bible School?

Many people say, "I couldn't afford to go to Bible School." But if you put your trust in the Lord, He will supply all your needs. He certainly does in this place. The girls often take rooms and do light housekeeping and then go out after school to serve dinners, wash dishes, etc.

Due to the man-shortage, the boys find lots to do. Some are caretakers of the houses where they live, looking after the furnaces, etc. Some take charge of churches and preach the gospel on Sundays, thus using what they have been taught.



By Wesley Klassen

EACH year the students of W.B.I. have opportunities of presenting to others what they learn in class. It is the lot of every student to appear at one time or another in a public meeting to sing, play, preach or give a testimony. This year, however, we have not been going out to conduct many meetings because of gas and tire restrictions. In spite of this we are still busy in practical Christian work. Yes, even busier than in previous years, and, especially is this true for the men. Our number in the regular day classes has come down to six.

Seeing that we are so few in number it might be well to say a word about the work that each one does. The two men in the graduating class are both ministers and pastors. Joseph Gyrog has his parish here in Winnipeg, while Emil Riegel's field of service is at Morris, Manitoba. These two are busily engaged in feeding God's people and at the same time feasting upon His precious Word here in the Institute. Mr. Riegel also acts as president of the student Council this year.

The men in the second year class are also two, namely, Samuel Rapko and Wesley Klassen. Mr. Rapko spends his week-ends at home near Lockport, where he has the superintendency of a thriving Sunday School. He also takes an active part in the work of the church there. Here in the Institute, he is leader of a practical work group and president of his class. Wesley Klassen is not the least busy during his school term. As leader of the second practical Christian work group he takes charge of every second meeting that is held here in the Institute for young people on Tuesday nights. Then, besides a regular preaching appointment, he sings in the C.S.S.M. radio choir and a male quartet.

The first year class boasts as its male students two brothers, Peter and Ben Kehler. They take an active part in the meetings here at the school and other meetings as well, in the ministry of song and testimony. Peter teaches a young people's Bible class in the city and also has the office of class president.

The two that have left us this term are Malcolm Rans and John Friesen. Mr. Rans enlisted in the Navy and Mr. Friesen in the Army. May God richly bless these two brethren of ours as they serve our Lord in His Majesty's Forces



SAYING "GOOD-BYE"  
JOHNNY DOES HIS HOME WORK  
SENDING A LETTER HOME

# A Peep into Chapel

Eleven o'clock has arrived and time for Chapel. The bell has rung, and as we take a peep into the auditorium we see the students flocking in to spend half an hour in quiet devotion. What a treat it is to pause in our day's lessons and activities to spend a quiet time round the Throne of Grace.

Our hymn chosen, we all make a joyful noise unto the Lord.

Our principal frequently reads letters from graduates in Canada and away on foreign mission fields. This gives us a greater zeal to go out and win the lost for our Master.

We read a portion of God's Word and meditate on it a short while receiving spiritual food for our hungry souls.

The period closes with prayer, that all we do and say may be according to His Holy Will.

—Hazel Davies.

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## Why Study the Bible?

God commands us to "study to show ourselves approved unto God; workmen that need not be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of truth." To study does not mean to read a portion here and there, spasmodically, but to start at the beginning and read right through. If you were to take any story book, read a little in the middle, then a chapter at the end, and so on, you would never finish that book. It would be too uninteresting. So with the Bible. If you want to get the most out of it, start at Genesis and go right through. The Bible is superior to all other books because its author is God Himself. It is necessary, therefore, to spend much time in prayer, seeking wisdom from God, in order to be able to understand it.

The Bible is our guide on the way from earth to heaven. The reason so many people stray is that they do not know The Way. If you were travelling in a strange country you would follow your road map closely to keep you right. Just think! How much greater care should be taken to find the right Way to eternal life.

Then too, we Christians are left in this world as sign-posts to point others to Jesus Christ, who is the Way. Others are watching us, expecting to be directed aright. If we do not know the scriptures ourselves, how can we guide those other pilgrims? Shall precious souls be lost for all eternity just because of our ignorance?

—Anne Koop.



## Report Hour

Blessing, and honour, and glory, and power be unto him that sitteth upon the throne and unto the Lamb forever and ever." Rev. 5:13. How fittingly has it thus been arranged that our Bible School week should begin with an hour of devotion and praise unto our God. This hour affords us many opportunities for testifying to the marvellous working of the Holy Spirit. God has been very near, stimulating in us a deeper spirit of intercession for our fellow believers and the many souls still lost in sin.

This period is principally for report and prayer. Most of the students are conducting Sunday School classes in various churches throughout the city. Others are engaged in pastoral work. Their reports are indeed encouraging. Penitentiaries, detention homes and hospitals are not neglected and are receiving the precious Word in testimony and song. Personal workers are giving evidence of God's grace; sinners have found a Saviour, and backsliders have come to know that Christ is able to save and keep to the uttermost.

Out of these activities arises the need of intercession for one another. The Lord's work has its valleys but God has never failed to prove Himself true to His promises and is answering prayer beyond our expectation. However, God who is ever just, is showing us how utterly useless we are to Him. How often we realize that we have been serving ourselves rather than our Master. So it has become our ardent desire to be possessed with the same Spirit that was in Christ who came not to be ministered unto, but to minister and to give His life, a ransom for many.

—Peter G. Kehler.

# Extension Work

"Limited until the duration"—this seems to be a popular phrase in these war days. The production of almost every commodity has been "cut." This phrase is not only applicable to the number of students attending the Institute this year, but it is also true of the extension work. Due to the lack of numbers, particularly young men, our practical Christian work has been limited in extent, though we trust not in quality and effectiveness.

We are glad to report that the students have been privileged to minister the Good Word of God in Sunday Schools, Old Folk's Homes, Child Evangelism Meetings and Young People's Meetings, and have seen the Gospel of Jesus Christ prove itself to be "the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth."

Our appeal is, "Pray for us" that the records of Glory may register souls for Christ because of the faithful presentation of the Word of God.

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About six years ago the Lord definitely laid it upon my heart to tell the Gospel to the children in our district. He opened the way for us to begin a Sunday School.

Well do I remember that first session held in the one-roomed school house. About twenty children came. In one hand I clutched my Bible, in the other a sheet of paper which bore the title "Rules for Conducting a Sunday School." My program, carefully planned to last one hour was over in fifteen minutes. Proverbs 3, 5 and 6 became my strength. "Trust in the Lord with all thy heart and lean not to thine own understanding."

That was the beginning. My heart is full of praise and thanksgiving for the way God met every need. Today we have four teachers and sixty pupils enrolled. The beginners are a lively group and ask so many questions! One day they were exceptionally noisy. One little fellow had swallowed his nickel and the others were bemoaning the loss of an offering! The eight to ten-year-olds have chosen China as their special field of study. The next class meets in the library, which is too small to accommodate many, and the largest group is the Young People's Class. They call themselves "The Lighted Lamps." May each one be a bright, undimmed light, shining for the Master.

It is a great privilege to tell out the Gospel thus to the young folk. My prayer is that each child may come to know the Lord Jesus personally; that they may be true missionaries at home; and that some of them will witness for the Lord in the lands across the sea.

—Nancy Koop.

## Visiting a Girls' Reform School

Our group was asked to take the service in a Public Institution. It was our first assignment together and we were certainly nervous, but the enthusiasm of Mrs. Robins, our leader, was contagious, and soon we were looking forward to the visit. Our eagerness faded somewhat when we entered the building and saw rows and rows of girls sitting in front of us. We took our seats, stidly but trying to act as natural as possible. The very thought of speaking for five full minutes was beyond endurance to this particular first year student. However, the ordeal passed at last and we were able to enter into the spirit of the meeting. What a bond of fellowship united us as we sang hymns together and gave our testimonies. We felt that we knew each other now and that it would be good to meet again.

—Mintie Reimer.



SAM RAPKO AND SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS  
AT ALL PEOPLE'S MISSION, LOCKPORT.

ANNE KOOP WITH A FEW OF HER PUPILS.

VISITING AN INSTITUTION

# The Opium Fiend

Condensation of a true story of life in China, written by Nettie Epp.

CHENG came from a wealthy Chinese family, and had a good education. When his father died the six sons quarrelled about the estate, and took the matter to court until most of it was lost. Cheng, a successful business man, spent most of his time among the higher class of people. He would sit about playing cards, drinking and smoking opium, until he began to use opium habitually and to spend all his money on it. He became very poor. Sorrow after sorrow befell him. His health failed. His wife died and also his children. He had nobody to look after him.

Now Chang had a great friend, Koh, the opium den keeper, to whom he would often go for help. He would tell him his troubles and ask what could be done to cure a man of this terrible opium habit. Koh was not a Christian, but he knew where to go to get spiritual help, so he suggested one night that they go to the Gospel Hall. They went and listened carefully to the message of God's love and grace. The next Sunday the theme was, "The wages of sin is death." These two miserable opium addicts were convicted of sin and with a great longing to become better, they asked for baptism; but they were refused. With great sincerity they tried to break off the drug. Koh endured great agony as he tried to live without opium, then after a few days he passed to eternity, leaving his friend alone.

Cheng returned to the drug, continued to go to church, and to plead for baptism, but was not accepted. His health became worse than ever and his body more unkempt. He would stumble to church, lie on a back bench, suffering from high fever and cough continually. He was a pitiful sight indeed, as he became more and more a slave to the drug. Now a missionary came to this Gospel Hall and when he met Cheng, he realized the poor fellow's great need as he pleaded for baptism.

The missionary offered to take him to a hospital which was a long distance away and Cheng greatly rejoiced. They had to travel for several days on a river boat, and during the journey Cheng broke off opium and became very ill. The sudden break nearly caused his death, but Cheng continued to pray most earnestly to the Heavenly Father whom he knew to be the only one that could help him. There was no medicine on the boat, but together they sang and prayed. In his great suffering Cheng realized his need of a Saviour and humbly knelt and accepted the Lord.

Now Cheng was able to smile as he suffered and his only desire was to live for three more years. When asked the reason, he said, "To testify, to testify. I want to tell others of this Saviour, that they also may be helped and cured of the opium habit."

The Lord did spare his life and gradually restored him to health and strength again, that he might testify. Cheng was filled with the Holy Spirit and his heart was bubbling over with joy. He became a great man of prayer, and would bring all his troubles to the Lord as well as those of others. He would plead continually with the Almighty God knowing that He alone had power to deliver the slaves of Satan. Many were saved through his prayers and help, and finally, in spite of the difficulties, a hospital was started for those who wished to break off the opium habit. These patients usually became very ill and, in their agony and delirium, would try to climb the walls and scream for help. Cheng would stay continually by them, patiently praying till help came from above for these troubled souls. So he laboured on and suffered for many years, but the Lord will give him a reward in heaven.

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## My Testimony

*(The following poem was written by one of the girls who is serving a term in the institution mentioned on page 28. She slipped it into the hand of one of the workers one night, and we insert it here, with all its faults, to stir our readers to pray for these dear girls.)*

Nov. 28, 1913.

Ah, poor Jesus, who has loved me so,  
Who has taken my soul and let it go  
To be free to love and to accept,  
And to keep the laws He has set to be kept.  
What did I do? Not accept but reject  
After all He did when He tried to protect  
Me from sin and from sorrow;  
To bring me happiness, not only tomorrow  
But forever and ever, and never to die!  
To be born again, Oh Lord most High!  
Oh love me, yes, love me, and never forsake.  
Give me the foundation that never can shake,  
Keep me from evil; from making a fall;  
My Lord, My Redeemer, My Life and my all.

# Board of Directors

Mr. Hunt's continued ill health made it necessary for him to give up many of his activities this past year, and he has spent most of the winter in Vancouver. Both he and Mrs. Hunt have done so much for the school in the past and have taken such a keen interest in all our affairs that they are sorely missed. We do thank God upon every remembrance of them both and pray for Mr. Hunt's recovery.

## To the Graduating Class

It is our continuing privilege to extend to this year's graduates the sincere and earnest greetings of the members of the Board. As we do so we seem impelled to recall the many succeeding groups it has been our joy to see go out from us after completing their course in the Winnipeg Bible Institute. We are sure that God has a purpose for each of our lives, and it is your individual responsibility to be obedient to His will and to His purpose for you. In like manner we believe God has a work for the Institute to do and we unite our prayers with yours that we may be all kept faithful. May His enabling grace and His mighty power keep you steadfast for His praise and glory.

On behalf of the Board

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## The Women's Auxiliary

The Women of the Auxiliary do so much for us students that we want to use this opportunity to express our gratitude. They have contributed many articles to make the building more attractive and comfortable; and they provide delicious refreshments for our social gatherings. We do appreciate all their hard work and gifts, but above all, we thank God for their faithfulness in praying for us. The effectual, fervent, prayer of a righteous woman availeth much.

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## School Activities

The New Year finds the students of the W.B.I. very enthusiastic and desirous to do better than the previous year. Everyone is preparing for the writing of exams. They delve into notebooks to see what they have forgotten, and try to bring last term's lessons to memory again in order to acquire the one hundred percent mark. Exams, being over, the students relax, and have "a social" or two. They go on a hiking, skating or tobogganing party, then come back to the school to play games and satisfy their hunger.

When the last day of April rolls around the students are seen shaking hands and calling "Good-bye!" The graduates think, "Will we ever be back to visit that place again where we have spent so many happy days?" These graduates are going out to serve the Master in His vineyard knowing that He is going to reward them for their labor. The rest intend to come back and finish their course to be better fitted for leading souls to Christ. Many take the oppor-

tunities open to them of teaching Summer Bible Schools. Every child of God enjoys this work of teaching the little ones to know more of God and their purpose here in the world. The children love to hear the Old and New Testament stories. They learn to love their Saviour because He bids them come to Him. Other students do their witnessing among the people of their own communities by teaching in Sunday Schools, visiting the aged and sick.

Summer passes quickly. Fall finds the students eager to begin a new term in Bible School. Once more the building is filled with laughter and singing. The teachers greet us with cheerful words and pleasant smiles. The new term is a busy one and soon Christmas comes again.

Thus another year has passed bringing us all who acknowledge Jesus Christ as our Saviour, closer to His Home in glory.

—Sam Rapko.

## It Seemed Funny at the Time

Mae placed two cans of condensed milk on the counter of a grocery store one day and proceeded to pay for it.

"No," said the clerk, "You can't have that. It's rationed."

Mae: "Oh, I am sorry madam, Here is my ration book."

Clerk (grinning) "You need more than coupons, You have to have a baby and a doctor's prescription."

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Miss Moody, in English class. "Now give me several English words derived from the Latin 'centum', meaning a hundred".

Mabel, "Century", "Per-cent", I can't think of any more."

Miss M. "Oh, come on now. A hundred of what coins make a dollar?"

Mable. "Oh yes I know—coppers."

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Mary B. in Public Speaking Class, "When he finished Bible School he went to study in a cemetery."

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One day when Emil had been sweeping the dust from the basement floors, he was heard to remark, "I went into the girls' cloakroom and came out with an armful."

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Then there was the seriously minded little girl who said, "Mama, I was a good girl all day wasn't I?"

"Yes, dear, you have been very good lately."

"Mama, I will soon be good enough to be put into a tract, won't I?"

"How many apples did Adam and Eve eat?"

"One"

"No, more than that. Eve 8 1 and Adam 8 1 2, that makes 893."

"No you are wrong, Eve 8 1 4 herself and Adam 8 1 2 4 himself. Total 8938."

"No, it's more than that. Eve 8 1 4 2 know how it tasted and Adam 2 8 1 4 2 find out the same thing. That makes the total 36212."

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We are glad that the students of W. B. I. are better than the furnace, which not only smokes, but goes out at night. And that reminds us of hearing Mr. Cunningham say as he stood near the radiator, enveloped in smoke. "Well, I only hope you people don't think I am smoking."

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(Hurry, hurry and catch it)

Evelyn Bottrell (at the lunch table) "Oh dear, I will have to run after some milk."

Emil, "Why? There is a little here."

Evelyn, "Yes but it is running out. It is nearly gone."

## APOLOGIES!

Page 6—Mr. and Mrs. Dugard's name was incorrectly spelled.

Page 13 Under Wesley Klassen, "boss" should read "bass".

Pages 16 and 19 Bernhard Kehler should be spelled Bernard.

# How the Light Came to Madagascar

IN the year 1505 Portuguese first struck the shores of this great uncharted island, and centuries later English sailors anchored their ships off its shores, filled their barrels with fresh water from its springs, and left the people as dark as they found them. Arabs visited the island also, all too frequently. The villagers would finish their evening meal, and stretch out on their sleeping mats for the night then suddenly piercing screams would rend the quiet. The men would rush out of their huts with their spears to face the slave raiders. Their oxen would be driven off and the village reduced to ashes. Still no one brought the light to these dark island people!

Far away in a little Cardiganshire village in Wales, an old man prayed for the dark island of Madagascar. He saw as in a dream, a man with outstretched arms, crying, "Come over, and bring the light." Dr. Phillips had been teaching a class of youths who had offered their lives for the ministry, and the next day he told his students of this vision, challenging someone to answer the call. The result was that two young men, David Jones and Thomas Bevan volunteered to go.

On February 9, 1818, these two men, with their wives, sailed away to the distant island of Madagascar where no missionary had ever gone before. They left their wives on the neighboring island of Mauritius, which was under British control, and sailed on till they reached the harbour of Tamatave, on the east coast of Madagascar. They began to study the Malagasy language and made friends particularly with the boys and girls. After a few weeks they returned to Mauritius to fetch their wives and children, promising their new friends that they would return and settle down there.

The natives awaited their return and were eager to take up the lessons Mr. Jones had started before he left. But the rainy season had set in. The house was damp and unhealthy, and soon the Jones family were taken ill with fever. On December 13 the baby died, and a few days later was followed by Mrs. Jones. Before long the Bevan family was stricken and all three of them claimed by the fever. David Jones slowly recovered and returned to Mauritius, the sole survivor of a party of six.

In September 1820, David Jones returned to Madagascar accompanied by a representative of the British Government, who had come to try to put down the slave traffic. They set out for the capital, Atananarivo—a hundred and fifty miles to be covered on foot. It was a long, difficult journey, saddened by the pitiful sight of slave gangs being driven to the coast for shipment. When they reached the capital the king received them cordially and with great ceremony. He gave them the best hut in the city and allowed David Jones to start his first school with sixteen little boys from the royal household.

Soon several other Britishers came to help David Jones in the work of training these Malagasy lads. After five years the number of pupils had grown to three thousand, and one Sabbath the missionaries had the joy of hearing twenty-eight Malagasy confess Christ publicly. This made up for all their sacrifices and gave them zeal to press on with the work of Bible translation.

The king who had befriended the missionaries died and was succeeded by a queen, who had murdered the rightful heir to the throne. As the missionaries watched the procession from a distance, they saw with dismay that the new Queen was bringing back the idols. Not knowing what she might do next, they hastened their work of translating and printing the Scriptures. Then one morning a messenger came with this message from the Queen. "You have done good in this country and I wish to know if there is anything else you can teach us. Can you make soap? If not you must leave the country at once." Within a week, James Cameron was able, with the aid of books and encyclopaedias, to produce two small cakes of white soap, which they sent to the Queen.

On June 21, 1835, the complete Bible was in the hands of the Malagasy Christians, but the Queen soon drove every missionary out of the land and commanded that every Christian should be slain. Her soldiers raided the houses, brought all the Bibles they could find into the city and burned them, but that did not put an end to the worship of God. Some Bibles had been hidden and were now cut up into sections and shared out. The believers gathered for prayer in lonely huts, in caves, or away in the forest, but many of them were captured, thrown into prison at Ambatonankanga and tortured. More than two hundred Malagasy Christians were brutally put to death for Christ's sake, but the praying still went on and the wicked Queen was completely baffled. A short distance from her palace, prayer meetings were held at midnight in secret, and the young princess, Ramomo, who was destined one day to become queen, began to meet with these Christians to pray. The persecution continued throughout the reign of Queen Ranavalona I. She will always be remembered as the one who tried to put out the Light that cannot be quenched.

Her death came as a great relief to the country, and immediately a band of missionaries left England to recommence the work they had to leave. They expected to find the church blotted out, but to their joy discovered that the number of believers had multiplied ten times. The new Queen Rasoherina was not a Christian, but very good to her people and allowed the missionaries perfect freedom. Within four years ninety-eight churches were built and five thousand names were written on the church membership records. Rasoherina received a letter from Queen Victoria one day, asking as a personal favour that there be no further persecution of the Christians. The promise was given and faithfully kept. And so the Light shone brightly again.

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## How the Light Came to Madagascar

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Then Ramomo, the princess who had been a secret believer, came to the throne. Great crowds gathered for her coronation, watching in vain for the royal idols, which had always been given a prominent place in the processions. This time, texts of Scripture were emblazoned around the Royal canopy. The idol-keepers in great anger threatened the Queen's life, so then she and her counsellors decided to put an end forever to the worship of wood and stone. Her officers raided the sacred village and burned the great idol "Rakelimalaga" with all his charms. Fires were

lit all over the province as many followed the Queen's example and burned their idols.

Yes, the Light was spreading. A hundred years after the work began there were two thousand five hundred churches, and hundreds of thousands of Christians. But what about the others who are still waiting for the Light? This story has been mainly about the province of Imerina in the centre of this vast island; but there are tens of thousands of people in the other provinces still sitting in darkness, waiting for the Light.

Agnes Dueck

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## Asia and the Near East

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India we find to be one of the most religious of all lands, and yet those religions are the basis of great wickedness and degradation. Few have any conception of the true God. The idolaters, in their anxiety to please their gods are driven to commit cruel crime and make deplorable sacrifices. The present war has greatly increased the temporal and spiritual need of the people of India.

One of the greatest uncivilized regions of the world lies in central Asia north of India, including the vast territories of Afghanistan, Tibet, and Turkestan. The people of these lands have long been neglected by Christian missions because they closed their frontiers to outsiders and neither welcomed nor respected white men. Moreover, great geographical barriers make travel very difficult. Racial jealousy between these Asian peoples is so prominent that the few missionaries who have got into the country find it very difficult to maintain a friendly relationship toward all. A few individuals have heard the gospel message or received Christian literature when visiting Northern India or a far-off Chinese mission station, but the mass of the people are in dense spiritual darkness. Anyone preparing to serve the Lord in this needy field should have a good medical knowledge and be able to endure privations and loneliness.

Christ's command, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature" is being obeyed and the work is being carried on, but the need is still very great and God's promise will not fail. "Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world."

## Ivy Dalstrom

SOUTH AMERICA

(Alumni News continued from Page 25)

In two weeks we are going to start a school, which is mainly for the believers' children. We thank God for your prayers in regard to our house. At first it seemed impossible to find one, as we were the first two respectable single girls to live alone in a house in this province. We are making history!

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## Extracts from Letters

(Continued from Page 7)

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A. B. S.

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Yours because of Calvary.

A. A. T.

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of the

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You will reach the blessed Haven,  
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So, take courage, sister, brother,  
If the way be dark and drear;  
Christ your Convoy sails on with you,  
You have nothing now to fear.  
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